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NO MORE?

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Following Jul Tambor's kidnapping of Sabé, the remaining former handmaidens of Padmé Amidala formed an uneasy alliance with Darth Vader to stage a daring rescue.

Throughout the battle against Jul's droid army, the handmaidens realized that they were simply being used as Vader's pawns so he could rescue Sabé and fully immerse her into his dark machinations.

Now Sabé must decide if she is to remain loyal to the sisterhood of the handmaidens or join Vader in his violent crusade against Jul Tambor....

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SABÉ! YOU'RE OUR SISTER!
A HANDMAIDEN OF PADMÉ AMIDALA!
SWORN TO PEACE AND JUSTICE!
YOU CANNOT SERVE DARTH VADER!
YOU HAVE SEEN WHO JUL TAMBOR TRULY IS.
HIS FORCES ARE PREPARING TO ATTACK CIVILIAN FACILITIES ACROSS THE SYSTEM.
YOU WILL ONLY HAVE THE POWER TO STOP THIS DESTRUCTION...
...IN MY SERVICE.

SABÉ!

YOU'RE BREAKING MY HEART!

NOOOOO!

SABÉ!

F-FATHER...

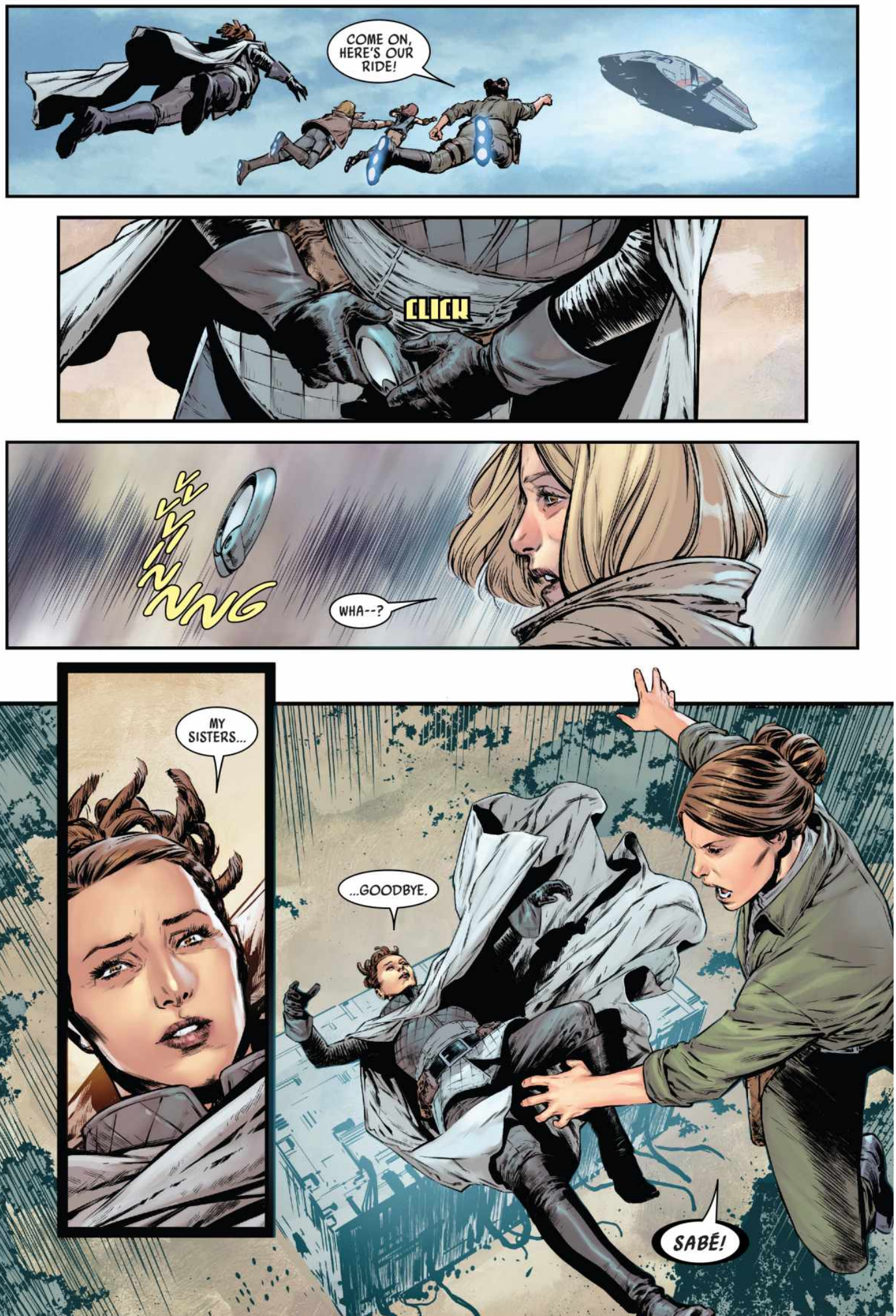
ANAKIN...

NO, SABÉ!
AAH!

BRRZZZZZAM
DORMÉ! LET ME GO!
BRRZZZZZAM
NEVER!

NNNNNNNN
NO!

WHA--?
DON'T WORRY! I'VE GOT AN ANTI-GRAV UNIT FOR YOU TOO.
WE'RE ALL FLYING AWAY NOW.
EIRTAÉ, JUL TAMBOR IS KILLING PEOPLE!
HE HAS TO BE STOPPED!
SO WE'LL STOP HIM!
WE WILL!
JUST US!
BUT NOT WITH VADER!
HE CAN'T BE TRUSTED.
YOU HEAR ME, SABÉ?


COME ON, HERE'S OUR RIDE!
CLICK
VVVIINNNG
WHA--?
MY SISTERS...
...GOODBYE.
SABÉ!

BRRRZZZZZZAAAM
BRRZZZZAAAM
GAH!
BRZAAAM
BRRZZAAAM
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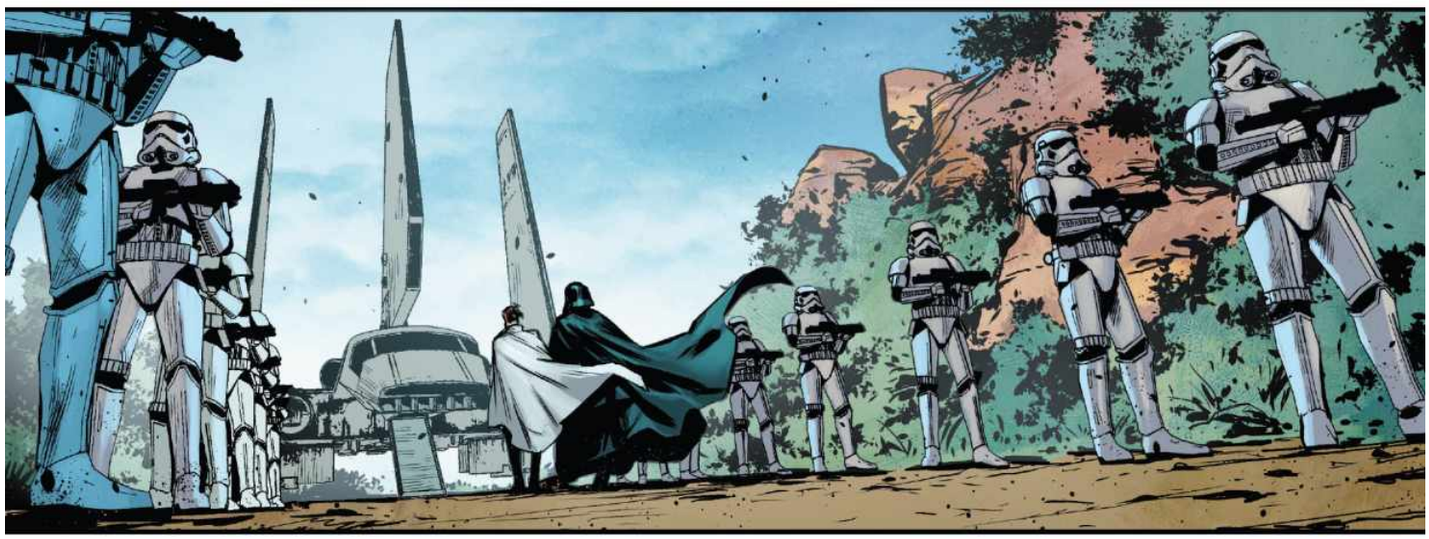
SABÉ!

SABÉ...

BRRZZZZAM
BRZZZAM

CEASE FIRE.
IT IS DONE.



WELL, DAMN.

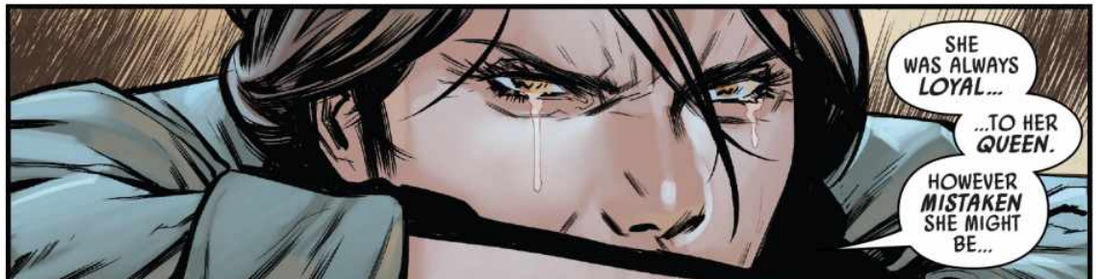
DON'T EVEN START, OCHI.

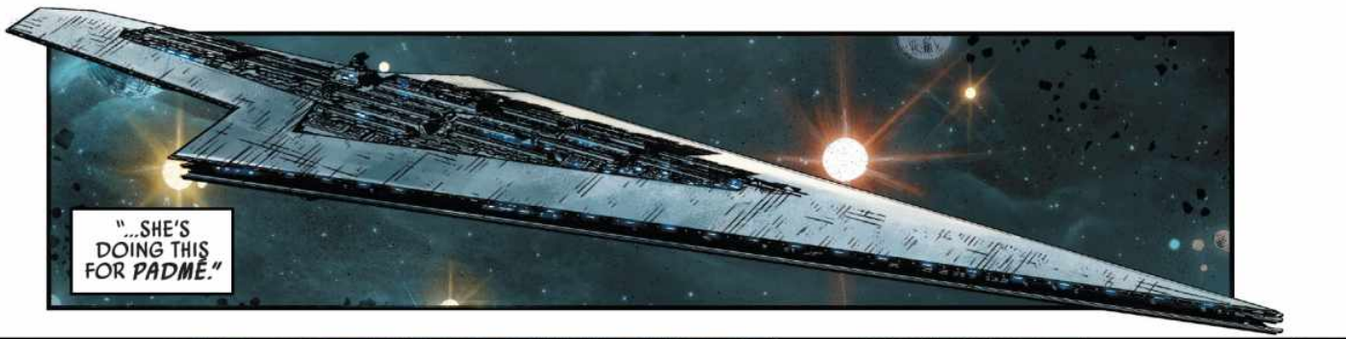
YOU WERE SUPPOSED TO RESCUE HER!
AND THEN DISAPPEAR FOREVER!
SO I WOULDN'T HAVE TO SEE ANY OF YOU EVER AGAIN!

I MEAN, WHAT HAPPENED TO THIS GREAT SISTERHOOD?
I THOUGHT YOU WERE BONDED FOREVER!

SO DID I.
AH, RABÉ...

I GUESS...
...IT MAKES SENSE.
SABÉ WAS ALWAYS A CRUSADER.
NOW SHE'LL HAVE THE POWER TO DO WHAT SHE--
NO, SACHÉ.


SHE WAS ALWAYS LOYAL...
...TO HER QUEEN.
HOWEVER MISTAKEN SHE MIGHT BE...


"...SHE'S DOING THIS FOR PADMÉ."

LORD VADER.
WE HAVE IDENTIFIED THREE OF TAMBOR'S GUNSHIPS EN ROUTE TO FACILITIES ON THE SURFACE OF THE PLANET.
YOUR ORDERS?

THIS IS COMMANDER SABÉ'S MISSION.
AH.
COMMANDER SABÉ. YOUR ORDERS?

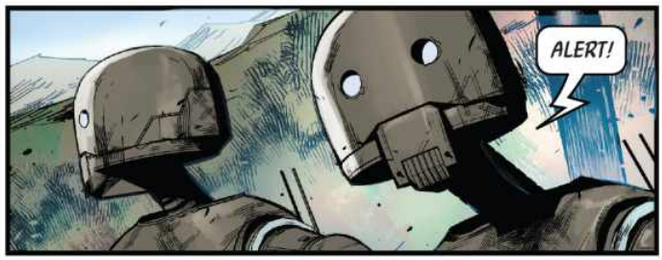
ARE YOU CERTAIN THOSE ARE TAMBOR'S GUNSHIPS?
THEY'RE THE SAME MAKE AND MODEL AS THE ONE LORD VADER DESTROYED YESTERDAY.
HOW MANY LIFE-FORMS ON BOARD?

WE'D...WE'D HAVE TO CHECK.
BUT THESE ARE ENEMY SHIPS, COMMANDER. I'M NOT SURE WHY--

PREPARE MY SHUTTLE.
YES, COMMANDER.

JUL, THIS IS SABÉ.
VADER'S PREPARING AN ALL-OUT ASSAULT. HE'S CURRENTLY STATIONED IN AN ABANDONED RIVER-PORT VILLAGE CALLED KANTIEMA, ASSEMBLING HIS FORCES.
I'M FAMILIAR WITH IT. WHY ARE YOU TELLING ME THIS?
BECAUSE I NEED YOU TO WAIT.
I KNOW YOU'VE BEEN PREPARING SOMETHING SPECIAL TO KILL VADER.
BUT THE EMPIRE'S ALSO HOLDING CAPTURED SKAKOAN REFUGEES IN THAT VILLAGE.
ONCE VADER'S CLEAR OF KANTIEMA, HE'S ALL YOURS. I'LL SEND YOU COORDINATES AND--
STOP.
HOW...
...HOW MANY REFUGEES?
I...
...DON'T KNOW, JUL.
HOW MANY?
...
TWELVE.
HM.
YOU'VE DONE THE RIGHT THING, SABÉ.
YOU SHOULD SLEEP WELL TONIGHT.
JUL, WHAT ARE YOU--?

Kantiema.


ALERT!

INCOMING--

FRRRAAAAKKOOOOOOOOSH

DIRECT HIT, SIR.
YES!
JUL! WHAT-- WHAT HAVE YOU--?
I ENDED THIS, SABÉ!

I TOLD YOU THERE WERE REFUGEES THERE. THE PEOPLE YOU SAID YOU WERE TRYING TO SAVE.
I KILLED VADER!
AND NOW A TAMBOR WILL RULE SKAKO MINOR ONCE AGAIN!
RULE? I THOUGHT YOU SAID YOU WANTED TO FREE YOUR PEOPLE.

I WILL BE FOREMAN, AS MY GRANDFATHER WAS.
MY PEOPLE KNOW THEIR PLACE.
I WILL PROVIDE...
...AND THEY WILL REJOICE.
YOU HEARD

...DO YOU REJOICE?
HE--HE BOMBED THAT CITY?
AFTER YOU TOLD HIM WE WERE THERE?
AND NOW HE WANTS TO RULE US?
GRRRRAAAAAAA!
WH-WHA--?

Skako Minor.
"BY IMPERIAL ORDER, ALL OF JUL TAMBOR'S REFUGEES HAVE BEEN GRANTED AMNESTY.
"THE REPATRIATION AND ARMISTICE PROCESS HAS BEGUN, MEDIATED BY REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE RULING COUNCIL AND THE REFUGEE LEADERSHIP.

"AND JUL'S FLAGSHIP AND DROID ARMY HAVE BEEN ELIMINATED.
"THE RUSE WORKED.
NOT AGAIN...
"JUL DESTROYED NOTHING BUT AN EMPTY VILLAGE... AND HIMSELF."

BUT YOU LET HIM ESCAPE.
BY DESIGN. HUNDREDS WOULD HAVE DIED IF WE HAD TAKEN HIM ON DIRECTLY.
AND IF WE'D KILLED HIM, HE'D HAVE BECOME A MARTYR.
NOW HE'S DISCREDITED AND POWERLESS.
AND WE HAVE A REAL SHOT AT PEACE.

...
ORDER.

HOW DOES IT FEEL...
...TO WIELD THIS POWER?

I USED TO ASK MYSELF...
...WHAT PADMÉ WOULD DO.
NOW...
...I HAVE NO IDEA.

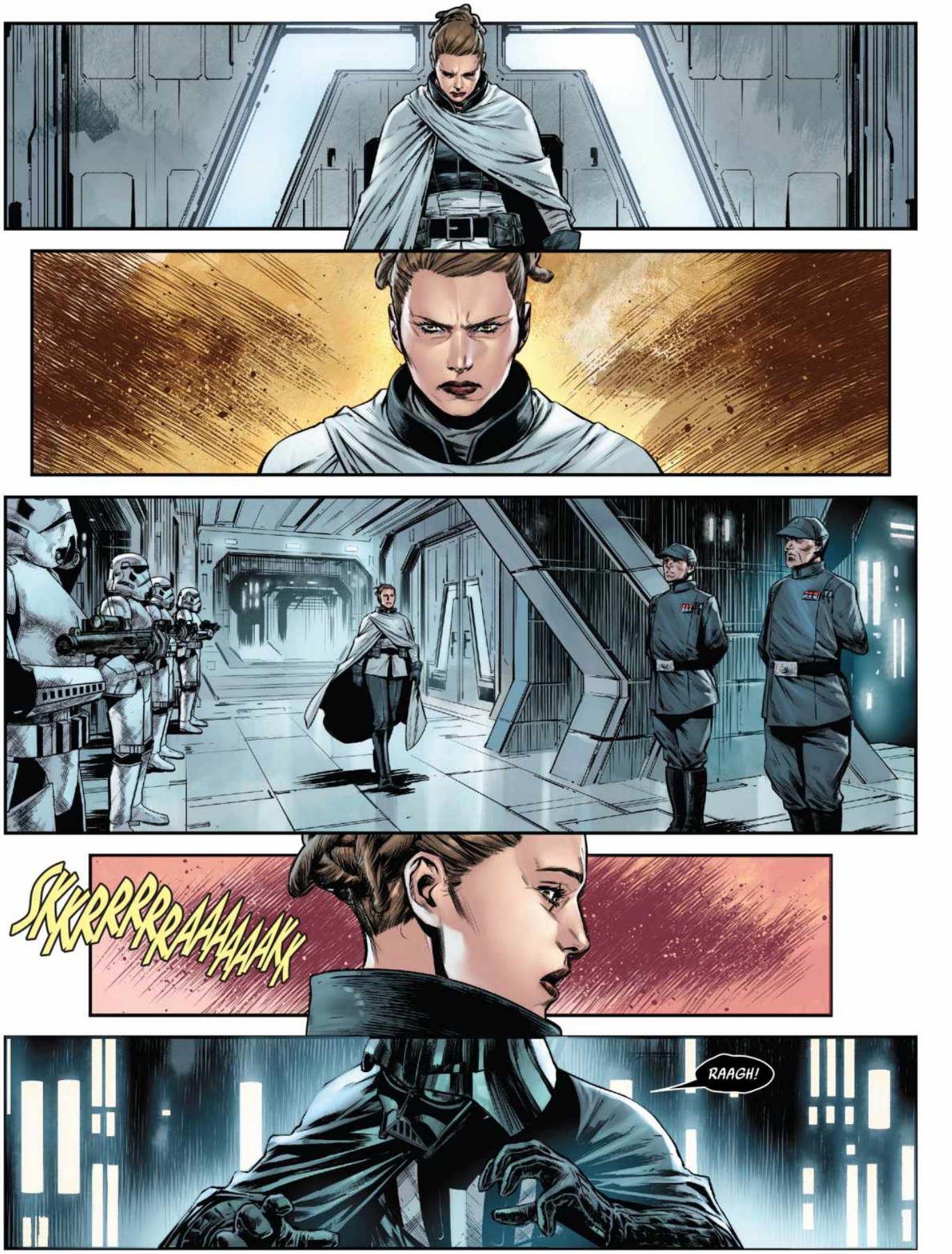
THE OTHER HANDMAIDENS FLED.
BUT YOU ARE HERE.
STRONGER.
AND YOU WILL BECOME STRONGER STILL.
THEY ONLY LEFT...
...BECAUSE I KEPT MY SECRET.
YOUR SECRET.
IF I'D TOLD THEM WHAT REALLY HAPPENED...
...TO ANAKIN SKYWALKER...
...THEY WOULD NEVER HAVE ESCAPED.
I KNOW...
...MY SISTERS...
...WILL ALWAYS THINK OF ME WITH GRIEF...

"...AND THEY WILL ALWAYS WONDER WHAT HAPPENED HERE...

"...BUT THEY WILL GO BACK TO THEIR LIVES...

"...AND THEIR LOVES."

THIS WAY...
...ONLY ONE OF US HAS TO LOSE THEIR SOUL.



You are *wrong*, handmaiden...

SKKRAAAAAAK
AAAAAAH!

...you are not the *only* one.

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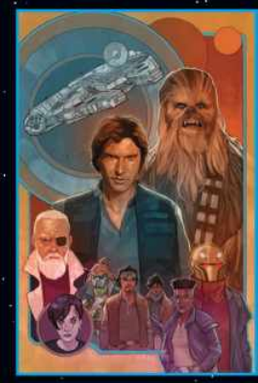

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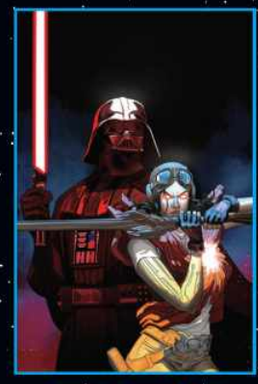

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